

## SENATE PASSES POOL HALL BILL

**Measure Is One of the Most  
Drastic Passed By the  
Legislature.**

senate, the bill prohibits the operation of pool and billiard halls in any shape for profit. There is no restriction made as to the number of such places.

The senate also passed finally the bill by Senator McNeelins which regulates the election of judges, judges elected in municipal elections, and prohibits the use of muck funds for the salaries of judges of any court, except for office. This bill applies to counties having a population of 120,000 or more.

**May Amend Mining Laws.**

A bill has been introduced in the senate by Senator H. H. Hildreth and in the house by representatives McFarland and Hudley which seeks to amend the laws relating to mining, which also permits the present law.

This bill was introduced on the recommendation of the land commission. Robinson and it makes several other features of the present statute. Under the bill, an oil, gas, coal, lignite or other mineral land of less than 40 acres in one area in one place, but such locator cannot get any more within two miles of the land already located. A locator may get more than 1,000 acres of oil land within

The measure also provides that for the metallic metals and kindred substances one claim cannot exceed 80 acres. One of the important features is that allowing a person the option of operating under the royalty statute or pay \$100 per acre for the minerals and get a patent to them.

Governor Ferguson has signed the senate bill appropriating \$55,000 to pay salaries of teachers in the summer schools for the summer sessions. Each of the four white state normals gets \$10,000 with the exception of the Benton Normal, which gets \$30,000. The governor has also signed the senate bill extending the provisions of the material men's lien law so as to apply on well drilling outfits.

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